

Amendments to the Claims

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A food blender jar for use on an electric blender having comprising:
a base with ~~[[a]]~~an electric motor~~[[,]]~~; and
a knife rotatable by the motor~~[[,]]~~;
~~the a jar comprising with~~ a substantially symmetrical body having first and second opposite ends;
and
the body having a ~~reduced~~ cross-sectional area ~~portion progressing upwardly from narrow to~~
wide to narrow spaced from the first end to enhance blending action in the jar.

Claim 2 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 1 wherein the body increases in cross-sectional area upwardly from the first end.

Claim 3 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 2 wherein the body increases in cross-sectional area upwardly from the ~~reduced~~ narrow cross-sectional area portions.

Claim 4 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 1 wherein the body increases in cross-sectional area upwardly from the ~~reduced~~ narrow cross-sectional area portions.

Claim 5 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 1 wherein the body has a curved profile.

Claim 6 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 1 wherein the body curves outwardly and then inwardly from the first end to the second end.

Claim 7 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 1 wherein the body includes a handle.

Claim 8 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 1 further comprising a plurality of ribs extending inwardly in the body of the jar.

Claim 9 (Original): The food blender jar of claim 1 wherein the shape of the cross-sectional area is generally circular.

Claim 10 (Currently amended): A food blender, comprising: jar for a blender having
a base[[.]];
[[a]] an electric motor in the base[[.]]; and
a knife driven by the motor[[.]];
~~the a jar comprising having~~ a substantially symmetrical body and having first and second upper
and lower opposite ends, the first lower end being adapted to mount onto the base; and
the body curving outwardly from the lower end and then curving inwardly between the first
lower end and the second upper end to enhance blending action in the jar.

Claim 11 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 10 wherein the inward curve defines a portion having a reduced cross-sectional area.

Claim 12 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 10 wherein the body curves outwardly adjacent the ~~second upper~~ end.

Claim 13 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 10 wherein the body includes a handle.

Claim 14 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 10 further comprising a plurality of ribs extending inwardly in the body of the jar.

Claim 15 (Currently amended): A food blender, comprising:
jar for a blender having a base[[.]];
[[a]] an electric motor in the base[[.]];
and a knife driven by the motor[[.]];

~~the a jar comprising:~~ having a substantially symmetrical body and having opposite first and second ends, the first end being adapted to mount onto the base;
the body having a reduced cross-sectional area portion areas changing between the ends from small to largest to smallest to large so as to enhance blending action in the jar spaced from the first end; and
 a plurality of ribs extending inwardly in the body to enhance blending.

Claim 16 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 15 wherein the body has a curved profile.

Claim 17 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 15 wherein the body curves outwardly and then inwardly from the first end to the second end.

Claim 18 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 15 wherein the body includes a handle.

Claim 19 (Currently amended): A food blender jar for use with a blender, the blender jar comprising:
a base with an electric motor and knives driven by the motor;
a jar having a substantially symmetrical body having first upper and second lower opposite ends and an first and second intermediate portion portions and the body being open only at the upper end; and
 the body having a generally circular cross-sectional area between the first upper and second lower ends, the first upper and second lower ends having first and second diameters and the first intermediate portion having another a diameter larger than either of the first or second diameters, and the second intermediate portion having a diameter smaller than either of the first or second diameters. the first upper and second lower ends being interconnected with the intermediate portion portions to define an outwardly and then an inwardly curved profile therebetween for enhancing the blending action within the jar.

Claim 20 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 19 wherein the body includes a handle.

Claim 21 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 19 further comprising a plurality of ribs extending inwardly in the body of the jar.

Claim 22 (Currently amended): The food blender jar of claim 19 wherein the shape of the cross-sectional area is generally circular.

Claim 23 (Currently amended): A food blender, comprising:
a base;

a jar mounted on the base and having a body with upper and lower ends and having an enlarged cross sectional area and a reduced cross-sectional area spaced above the base between the upper and lower ends;

[[a]] an electric motor in the base with a rotatable output shaft extending upwardly into the jar;
a plurality of blades mounted on the motor output shaft for rotation in the jar, the blades defining a spinning diameter when rotating which is at least substantially equal to a diameter of the reduced cross-sectional area of the jar.

Claim 24 (Currently amended): The food blender of claim 23 wherein the jar has a curved profile between the upper and lower ends with a curved profile therebetween.

Claim 25 (Currently amended): The food blender of claim 23 wherein the jar profile extends outwardly from the lower end, then inwardly and then outwardly adjacent the upper end.

Claim 26 (Currently amended): The food blender of claim 24 wherein the body has a plurality of internal ribs.

Claim 27 (Currently amended): The food blender of claim 24 wherein the body has a generally circular cross-sectional shape between the upper and lower ends.